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SUBJ: US-USSR DISCUSSION OF UNGA ISSUES

1. FIRST SITTING OF ANNUAL PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN US AND USSR TOOK PLACE AT USUN SEPT 15. USSR PERMREP MALIK WAS ACCOMPANIED BY SAFRONCHUK, OVINNIKOV, GOLUBNICHYI, TULINOV, SHUSTOV AND A SOV INTERPRETER FROM SECRETARIAT. AMB SCALI, AMB BENNETT, AMB SCHAUFEL, POLCOUNS HOWISON, HOUSTON (DEPT-EUR) AND MISOFF NORBURY SAT ON US SIDE.

2. EARLY IN MEETING, MALIK RESPONDED TO WELCOMING STATEMENT AND GENERAL COMMENT BY AMB SCALI WITH OBSERVATION THERE WERE MANY EMPTY RESOLUTIONS IN PAST SESSIONS. ISRAELI REFUSAL TO ABIDE BY SUCH RESOLUTIONS WAS A CLASSIC EXAMPLE OF UN INEFFECTIVENESS. MALIK ALSO REFERRED TO "YOUR NEW FRIEND CHINA."

3. SCALI MADE POINT FIRMLY TO MALIK THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO MISAPPREHENSION THAT HE SPEAKING FOR ISRAEL, CHINA OR ANY OTHER THIRD COUNTRY. HE SAID HE ASSUMED MALIK NOT SPEAKING FOR ANY COUNTRY (CUBA, FOR INSTANCE) OTHER THAN SOV UNION. HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT US-SOV BILATERAL TALKS WOULD BE CONFINED TO US AND SOV POSITIONS ONLY.

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4. MALIK SOMEWHAT LAMELY RESPONDED THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO IMPLY THAT ISRAEL OR ANY OTHER THIRD COUNTRY WAS REPRESENTED IN THE BILATERAL TALKS BUT HAD ONLY MENTIONED ISRAEL AS THE CLEAREST EXAMPLE OF A COUNTRY IGNORING UN RESOLUTIONS.

5. THIS EXCHANGE ET STAGE FOR ENTIRE CONVERSATION, WHICH THEN PROCEEDED IN REMARKABLY EVEN TONES. US PARTICIPANTS CANNOT RECALL ANY PREVIOUS CONVERSATION IN WHICH AMB MALIK SO CONSISTENTLY AVOIDED HARSH, OLD-SCHOOL SOVIET RHETORIC, ALTHOUGH HE GAVE AWAY NOTHING ON SUBSTANCE. PARTICULARLY AFTER EXCHANGE WITH SCALI ON "GENERAL PRINCIPLES" (SEPTTEL), MALIK GAVE IMPRESSION HE SEES SCALI, AS AUTHORITATIVE US SPOKESMAN, AND AS MAN TO BE RESPECTED, PERSONALLY.

6. SEPTELS REPORT ON SUBSTANCE ITEM COVERED, INCLUDING ADMISSION OF GERMANIES, PEACEKEEPING, KOREA, DISARMAMENT AND GENERAL APPROACH TO THE UN. FINAL SITTING OF BILATERALS SCHEDULED MONDAY MORNING 10:00A.M.  
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